

**CULTURE BOARDING
FRIENDSHIP INDEPENDENT
SUCCESS BRITISH
INCLUSIVE SUPPORTED
COMMUNITY
NURTURING CONFIDENCE
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

Short-Term Immersion Programme



**Kent
College**

WE ARE

GOING

FULLY

CO-ED.

**Kent College is
embracing a new era of
inclusive education for
both boys and girls.**





Welcome to Kent College Pembury

Set amidst the rolling countryside of South East England, Kent College Pembury offers a vibrant, inclusive, and academically enriching experience for international students.

At Kent College, we recognise the importance of shared experiences and offer a programme that caters for shorter-term stays while providing a true taste of British boarding school life.

Our Short-Term Immersion Programme is designed to develop English language skills and cultural awareness through full integration into school life. Whether you join us for a few weeks or a full academic term, you will experience a warm and welcoming community, benefiting from a tailored academic programme, exciting co-curricular opportunities, and unforgettable cultural experiences.

Kent College Pembury is an independent day and boarding School. Our immersion programme supports group bookings of up to 20 students, aged 11 – 16 years, during term time. We are known for our small class sizes, personalised learning, and excellent pastoral care. Our pupils are confident, curious, and compassionate — ready to welcome new students from around the world.

From September 2026, we will begin to welcome boys to the Senior School, marking an exciting new chapter in our history. This transition to co-education will further enrich our community and create an even more dynamic environment for visiting students on our Short-Term Immersion Programme.

We are proud of our global outlook and believe that cultural exchange enriches the educational journey for everyone in our school community.

We look forward to welcoming you to the KC Family.

KEY FACTS

Co-Ed
SENIOR AND SIXTH

**TERMLY,
WEEKLY,
FLEXI & DAY
Boarding**

**BESPOKE
APPROACH**



**Personalised GCSE
subject choice**



**A WIDE RANGE OF
CO-CURRICULAR
Clubs and Activities**



Kent College
opened its
doors **1886**
140 YEARS 2026

**GCSE
Results 2025**

32%
GCSE grades
Level 9-8's

49%
GCSE grades
Level 7-9's

**A Level
Results 2025**

**66% A Level
grades A*-B**

5 IS THE
AVERAGE
CLASS SIZE
AT A LEVEL

12 IS THE AVERAGE
CLASS SIZE AT GCSE

**A TOP
SCHOOL
IN THE UK FOR
VALUE ADDED**

Students achieve
at least one grade
higher than
predicted at GCSE

SUBJECTS ON OFFER

25 GCSE
21 A LEVEL
9 BTEC'S

Campus
located close
to Royal
Tunbridge Wells and
surrounded by
75 acres of
beautiful Kent
countryside



Short-Term Immersion Programme

International students seeking to improve their English and experience life in a British boarding school are warmly invited to join our Short-Term Immersion Programme.

Designed for students aged 11 – 16 years, the programme offers full integration into mainstream academic lessons, following the same timetable as their British peers.

In addition, students benefit from English as an Additional Language (EAL) support, delivered one-to-one or in small groups for three hours per week.



Intensive, Personalised Learning

The programme offers flexible stays, providing an intensive and immersive English learning experience. EAL provision is tailored to each student and may be adapted based on individual progress. Subject lessons are taught in English, enabling students to develop language skills in a natural classroom environment.

At the end of their stay, each student receives a detailed study report highlighting their academic progress and overall development.

Expert Support at the International Study Centre

Our International Study Centre is at the heart of our school and is where international students receive additional language support from a team of experienced EAL specialists. These teachers work closely with subject staff to ensure that students are able to access the full British curriculum.

Whether taught in small groups or individually, the EAL programme is designed to help students rapidly improve their English and succeed in their studies.

Confidence and Growth

Students attending the programme will follow a balanced schedule of mainstream lessons, activities and excursions during their stay.

This personalised approach ensures that each student is given the tools and guidance to have a truly memorable experience, make friends and gain confidence in a supportive English-speaking environment.



Cultural Experience

Students gain a deeper understanding of British culture and history through excursions to heritage sites, museums, and trips to London, Canterbury, Oxford, as well as many local attractions.

Short-term stay students are full boarders and are encouraged to take full advantage of the wide range of after-school and weekend clubs and activities. These opportunities enrich their experience, promote interaction with both day and boarding pupils across the school, and help them become fully involved in school life.



Boarding

Students stay in James and Osbourn, our purpose-built boarding house located in the heart of the school campus.

The house features:

- Purpose-built, modern boarding house with spacious bedrooms, common room, and fully equipped kitchens.
- Students share rooms.
- Experienced boarding staff, including a House Parent and Assistant House Parent, provide daily care and support.
- On-site medical centre, dedicated pastoral team, and two school counsellors available for wellbeing and study support.
- Daily cleaning and laundry services included.
- After-school and weekend programme includes trips, excursions, workshops, cooking, crafting and cinema nights.
- Activities are designed to be fun, relaxing, and offer a true British cultural experience.



Location and facilities

Kent College is in South East England and surrounded by 75 acres of beautiful countryside near the quiet village of Pembury.

Kent College moved to its current location in 1939 and the beautiful Victorian manor house is complemented by modern facilities including a science block, music school, art studios, 250 seat theatre, library, an indoor swimming pool, two sports halls, all weather astro pitch, fitness suite, outdoor confidence course and dance studio. The 75-acre rural site is surrounded by woodlands and is a peaceful, safe and secure place to live and study.

The school is just ten minutes from the vibrant and historic spa town of Royal Tunbridge Wells, renowned for its cultural attractions, shops, cafes, theatre, and cinema. London is a short train ride away, while seaside towns such as Brighton and Hastings are easily reached within an hour. With nearby landmarks such as Hever Castle, students enjoy a rich and varied programme of weekend excursions.



Easy Access to London and Major Airports

- 45-minute drive to Gatwick airport
- One-hour drive to Heathrow airport
- Closest station is Tonbridge 35 minutes to London by train



Sample Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7.15am	Morning Bell	Morning Bell	Morning Bell	Morning Bell	Morning Bell	Breakfast in house	Breakfast in house
7.40am-8.00am	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast		
8.25am	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Activities	Activities
8.40am-9.40am	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1		
9.45am-10.45am	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2		
10.45am-11.05am	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break		
11.05am-12.05pm	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3		
12.10pm-1.10pm	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4		
1.10pm-2.10pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch		
2.10pm-3.10pm	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5		
3.15pm-4.15pm	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6		
4.15pm	End of School	End of School	End of School	End of School	End of School		
4.15pm-4.30pm	Snack in Boarding	Snack in Boarding	Snack in Boarding	Snack in Boarding	Snack in Boarding		
4.30pm-5.30pm	Prep	Prep	Prep	Prep	Prep		
5.40pm-6.00pm	Supper	Supper	Supper	Supper	Supper	Supper	Supper
6.30pm-8.00pm	Activities	Activities	Activities	Activities	Activities		
8.45pm	In Rooms	In Rooms	In Rooms	In Rooms	In Rooms	In Rooms	In Rooms
10.00pm	Lights Out	Lights Out	Lights Out	Lights Out	Lights Out	Lights Out	Lights Out

Timetable and Experience

Students are warmly welcomed by our boarding pupils and staff, with an initial orientation to help them settle in and prepare for their first day.

They follow an individualised timetable, fully immersing in academic lessons, co-curricular activities, and specialist EAL (English as an Additional Language) classes.

Cultural trips, after-school clubs, weekend activities, and access to our sports facilities enrich the experience and provide a true taste of life in the UK.



Full boarding experience

ALL
inclusive
£1600



The cost per student per week is £1600.00 including VAT.
This includes:

- **Programme Duration:** 1 – 6 weeks for up to 20 students during term time with one free group leader place per 10 students (flexible options available)
- **Dates:** Autumn, Spring Term and Summer Term
- **Age Range:** 11 to 16 years
- **Accommodation:** Full boarding, all meals and laundry included
- Academic and co-curricular activities
- **EAL Support:** English as an Additional Language support
- **Excursions:** Weekend boarding activities and one off-site excursion per week
- Pastoral care and study report
- **Transfers:** Airport transfers included



Prepare for Your Stay

A detailed welcome pack will be sent prior to arrival, including a suggested packing list and information on school uniform requirements (if applicable). We will also confirm arrival and departure details, including options for airport transfers, which can be arranged at an additional cost.



Arrive and Orientation

Students will be welcomed by our admissions and boarding teams, shown to their accommodation, and given a full orientation to help them settle in quickly. Their timetable, excursions, and weekend activities will begin right away.



Duration

The programme is available for stays of 1 to 6 weeks, with flexible start dates from September 2025 to April 2026.



Steps to book your visit



Step 1:

Get in touch: Send us an email to express your interest in joining the programme, or complete the [enquiry form](#). Our team will be happy to answer any initial questions.



Step 2:

Receive your information pack: We'll send you everything you need to know about your stay – including dates, fees, what's included, and what to expect.



Step 3:

Secure your place: Complete the online booking and medical forms. Don't forget to send us your flight details and estimated arrival time so we can plan your welcome.



Step 4:

Get ready for your adventure! Once your place is confirmed, you'll receive a welcome pack with a checklist, packing tips, and travel advice. Now it's time to get excited!

ENQUIRE WITH:

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I joined KC for a term and stayed for **four** years.

"I joined KC in Year 10 initially for a term, but the boarding community convinced me to stay!"

My friends in the boarding house come from different places and I love learning about their home countries, celebrating their festivals with them as well as sharing mine.

Boarding is such a nurturing environment; we feel seen and cared for by the amazing staff and I couldn't ask for better company. I believe that anyone who hasn't tried boarding hasn't seen the soul of KC. Outside of boarding, I have thrived at KC.

From being shy and insecure, especially of my English skills, I have become a top student, in academia as well as in the artistic areas, and I have had the opportunity to explore new passions such as music, performing arts or new sports. I've participated in every KC production since I joined, and I was able to choreograph last year's junior musical, SIX. I have immensely grown in confidence, become brave and ambitious enough to seize every opportunity. "



Loreto



Scan the QR code to meet Loreto
and listen to her KC story.





Our Immersion Programme is more than a language course — it's a chance to build global friendships, experience a rich academic life, and develop independence in a safe and nurturing setting.

We warmly welcome you to join us and become part of the Kent College story.

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